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Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/511,352	HASEMANN ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Manish S. Shah	2853

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 October 2006.
 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

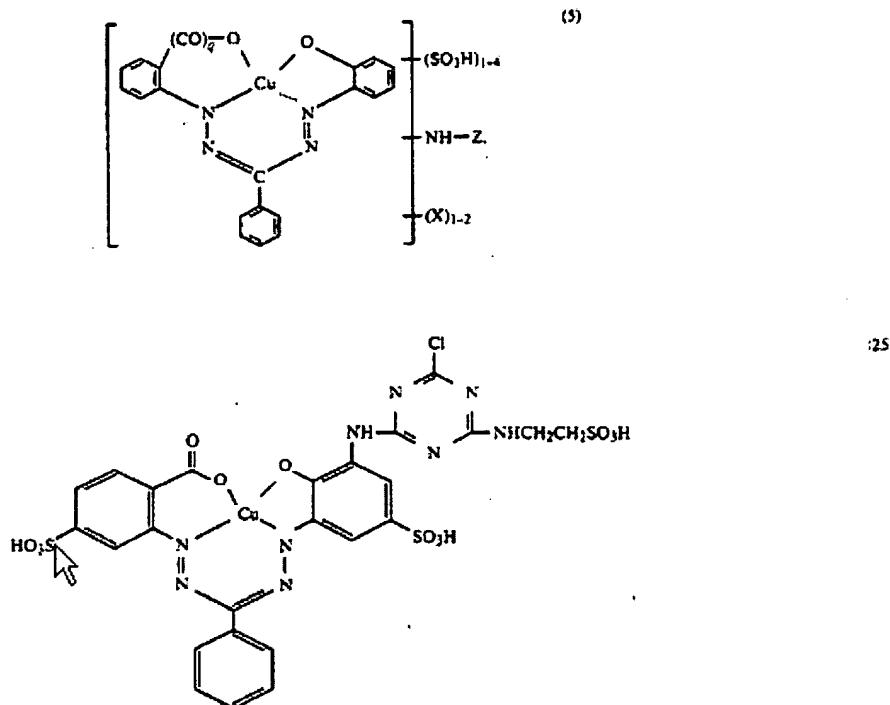
The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

1. Claims 7-10 & 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Luttringer et al. (# US 5071442).

Luttringer et al. disclose a method for printing recording material by ink printing (see Abstract) process including the step of printing the recording material with composition including dye of the following formula as shown below, and water (see Abstract; column: 2, line: 10-25; column: 12, formula: 25). They also disclose that the recording material is textile (column: 1, line: 5-30).



Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

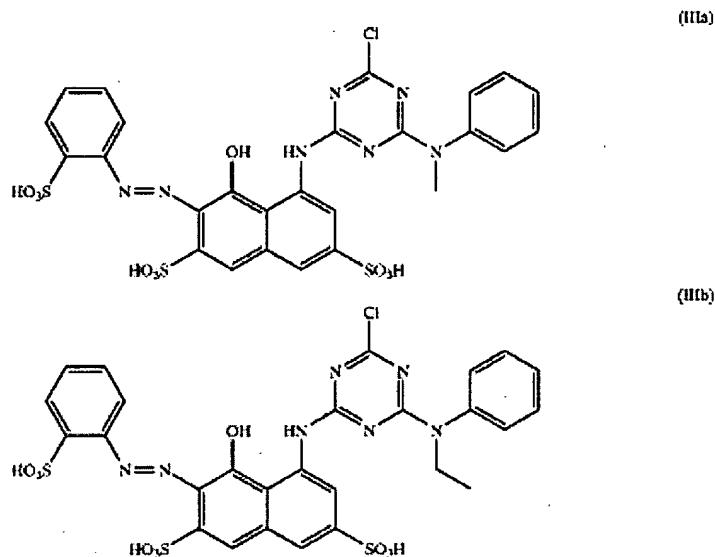
The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

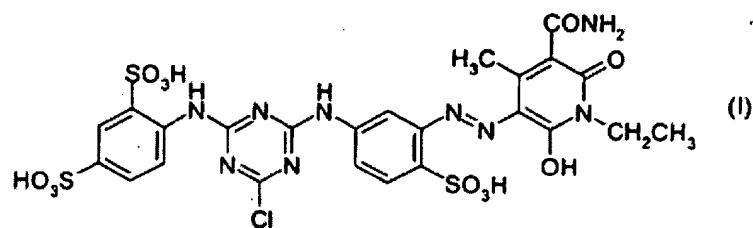
2. Claims 1-6 & 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Provost et al. (# US 6336721) in view of Wald et al. (# US 6042621).

Provost et al. discloses a printing process showing no fading when dye stuff or a dyestuff mixture of a first step and second step are brought in contact on a substrate

and having a common overlapping area on the substrate including in first step applying at least one dye formula 3 selected as shown below and second step applying at least one dye stuff, which different from the first steps (see Abstract; column: 2, line: 25-50; column: 25, line: 20-40).

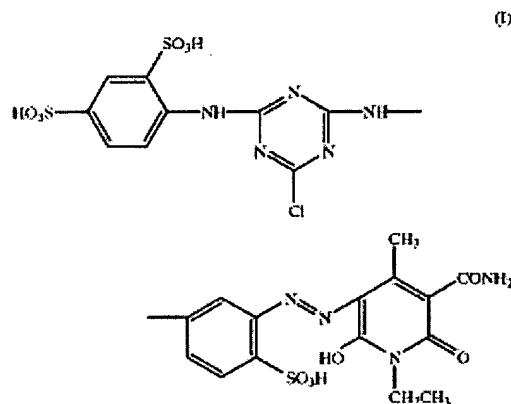


Provost et al. differs from the claim of the present invention is that the dye used in the first step is selected from



Wald et al. teaches that to get the greenish yellow printed image, having excellent light and wet fastness, printing the recording material with composition

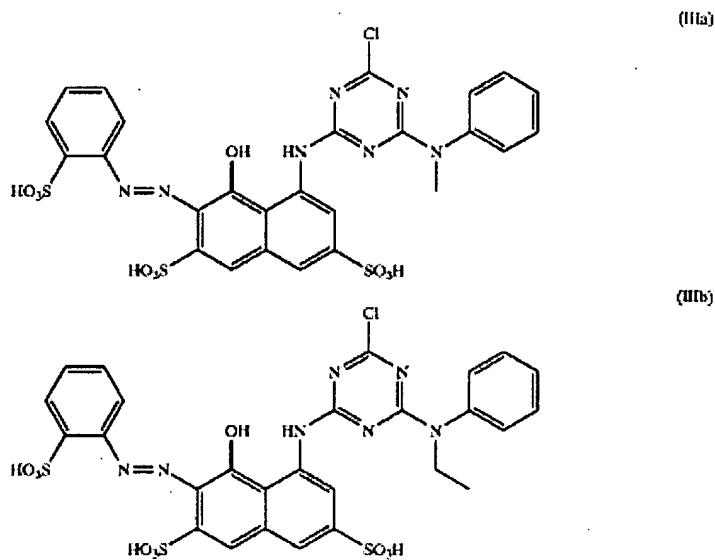
including dye of the following formula (I), and water (see Examples; column: 4, line: 1-25). They also disclose that the recording material is textile (column: 2, line: 50-60).



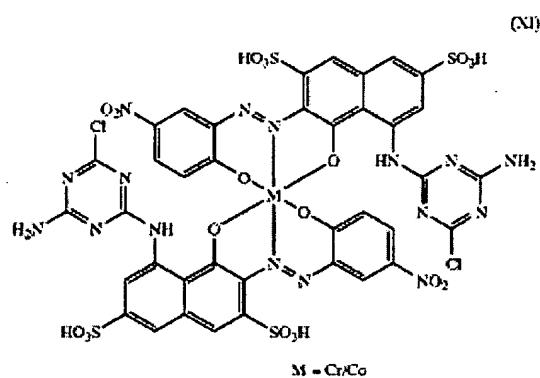
It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the ink composition used in the printing process of Provost et al. by the aforementioned teaching of Wald et al. in order to have a printed image with excellent light and wet fastness properties.

3. Claims 1-6 & 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Provost et al. (# US 6336721) in view of Nakato et al. (# JP 06-057190).

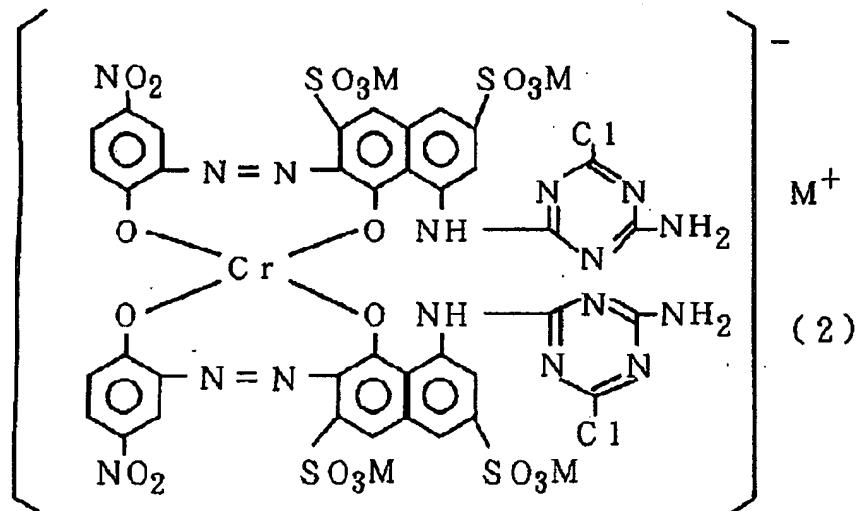
Provost et al. discloses a printing process showing no fading when dye stuff or a dyestuff mixture of a first step and second step are brought in contact on a substrate and having a common overlapping area on the substrate including in first step applying at least one dye formula 3 selected as shown below and second step applying at least one dye stuff, which different from the first steps (see Abstract; column: 2, line: 25-50; column: 25, line: 20-40).



Provost et al. differs from the claim of the present invention is that the dye used in the first step is selected from



Nakato et al. teaches that to get the water resistance, light fastness printed image, printing the recording material with composition including dye of the following formula (2), and water (see Examples; [0021]; [0010]). They also disclose that the recording material is textile ([0001]).



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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the ink composition used in the printing process of Provost et al. by the aforementioned teaching of Nakato et al. in order to have a light fastness and water resistance printed image.

Conclusion

4. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within

TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Manish S. Shah whose telephone number is (571) 272-2152. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00am-4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen D. Meier can be reached on (571) 272-2149. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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